

Shifting the Position and Preparatory Scale Studies, op. 8

PREFATORY NOTE

THE chief difficulty in these exercises consists in shifting (changing the position) so smoothly that it is hardly perceptible. Shifting downward, from a higher to a lower position, offers peculiar difficulties. In order to effect it smoothly, hold the violin firmly with the chin, and try to use the thumb as little as possible when shifting. Later these exercises are even to be practised without using the thumb, which is then held under the neck of the instrument.

It is highly beneficial to practise these exercises *détaché* at first, and then legato in moderate tempo.

THE EDITOR

VORBEMERKUNG

DIE Hauptschwierigkeit in diesen Übungen besteht darin, die Verbindungen der Lagen so zu bewerkstelligen, dass dieselben kaum hörbar sind. Besondere Schwierigkeiten bietet der Wechsel von den höheren nach den tieferen Lagen. Um diesen Wechsel glatt zu machen, halte man die Violine mit dem Kinne fest und versuche, beim Lagenwechsel den Daumen der linken Hand so wenig wie möglich zu benutzen. Später sollen diese Übungen sogar ohne Hilfe des Daumens geübt werden, wobei der Daumen unter dem Hals der Geige gehalten wird.

Es ist von grossem Nutzen, wenn man diese Übungen zuerst gestossen, dann in mässigem Tempo gebunden übt.

DER HERAUSGEBER

Lagenwechselübungen.

Bei dem Einüben dieser Beispiele wiederhole man in gemässigtem Tempo:

- jeden einzelnen Takt,
- jeden Takt mit dem nächstfolgenden (1-2, 2-3, 3-4 usw.)
- alle Takte, die auf derselben Saite angezeigt sind (im 1^{ten} Beispiele Takte 1-6, 7-12, 13-18, 19-25),
- das ganze Beispiel in folgenden Tonarten, gebunden und gestossen:



Shifting (Changing the Position).

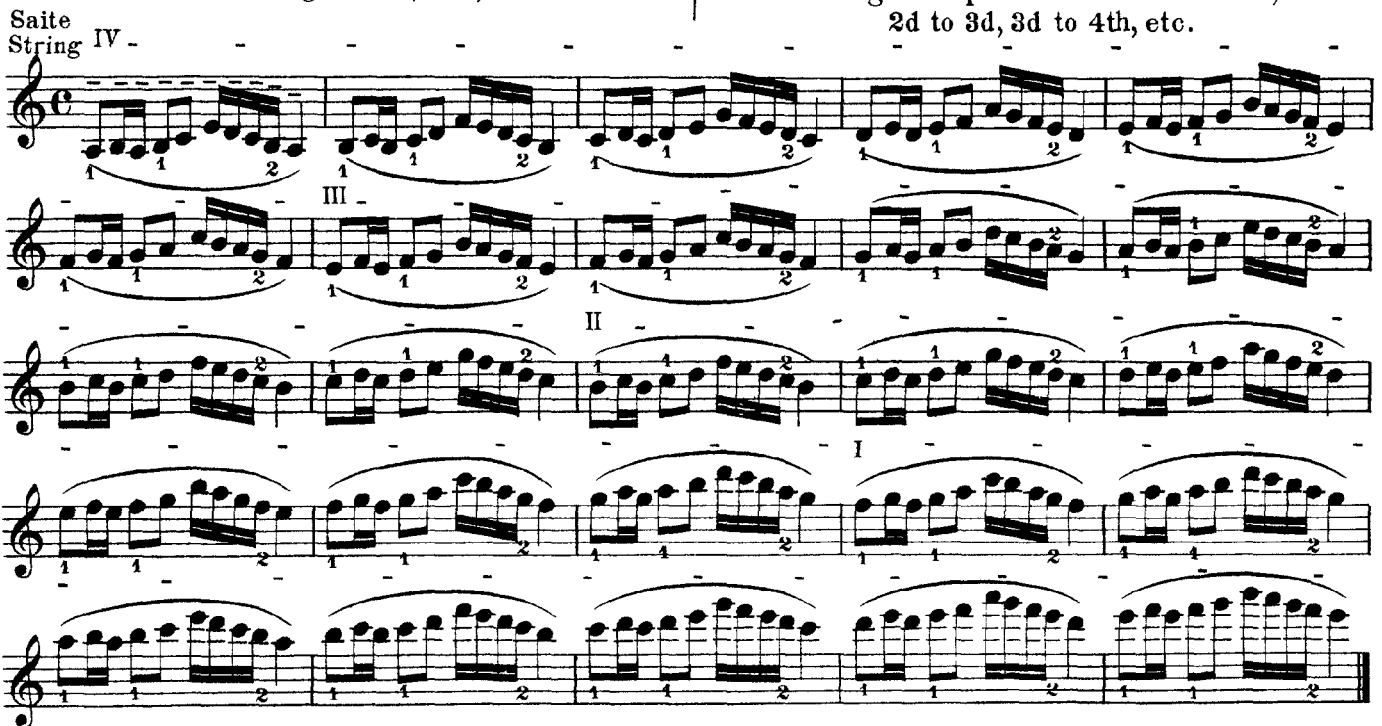
When practising these exercises repeat in moderate tempo:

- Each measure separately;
- Each pair of successive measures together; for instance 1 with 2, 2 with 3, 3 with 4, etc.;
- All groups of measures marked as to be played on the same string;— in the 1st Exercise measures 1 to 6, 7 to 12, 13 to 18, 19 to 25;
- The entire exercise in the keys given below, both legato and *détaché*.

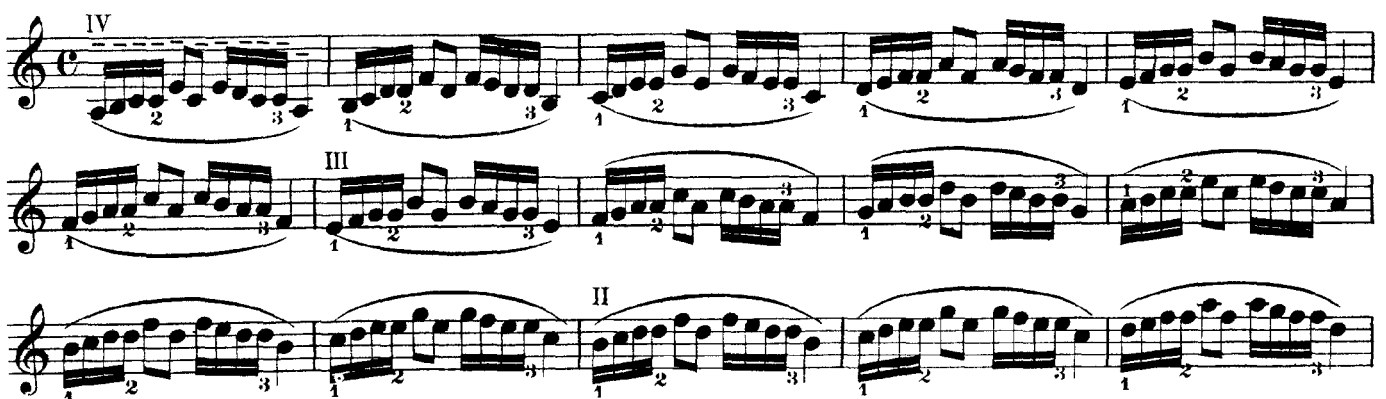


Wechsel der Lagen: 1-2, 2-3, 3-4 u.s.w.

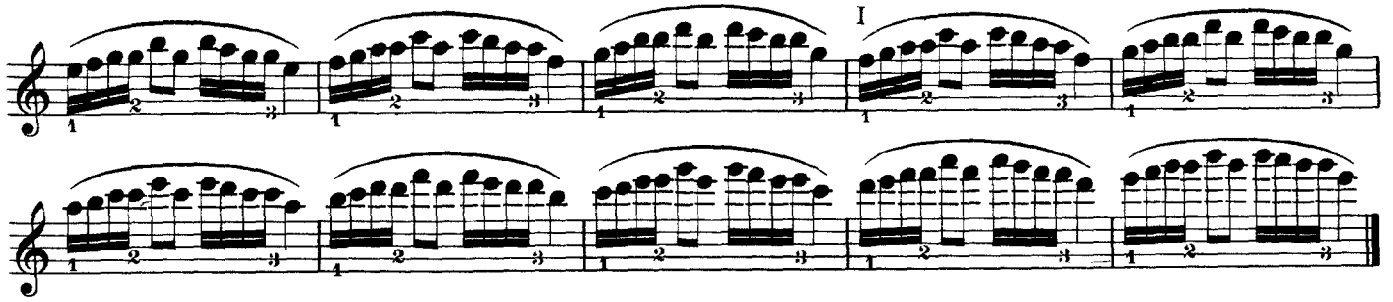
Changes of position: From 1st to 2d, 2d to 3d, 3d to 4th, etc.



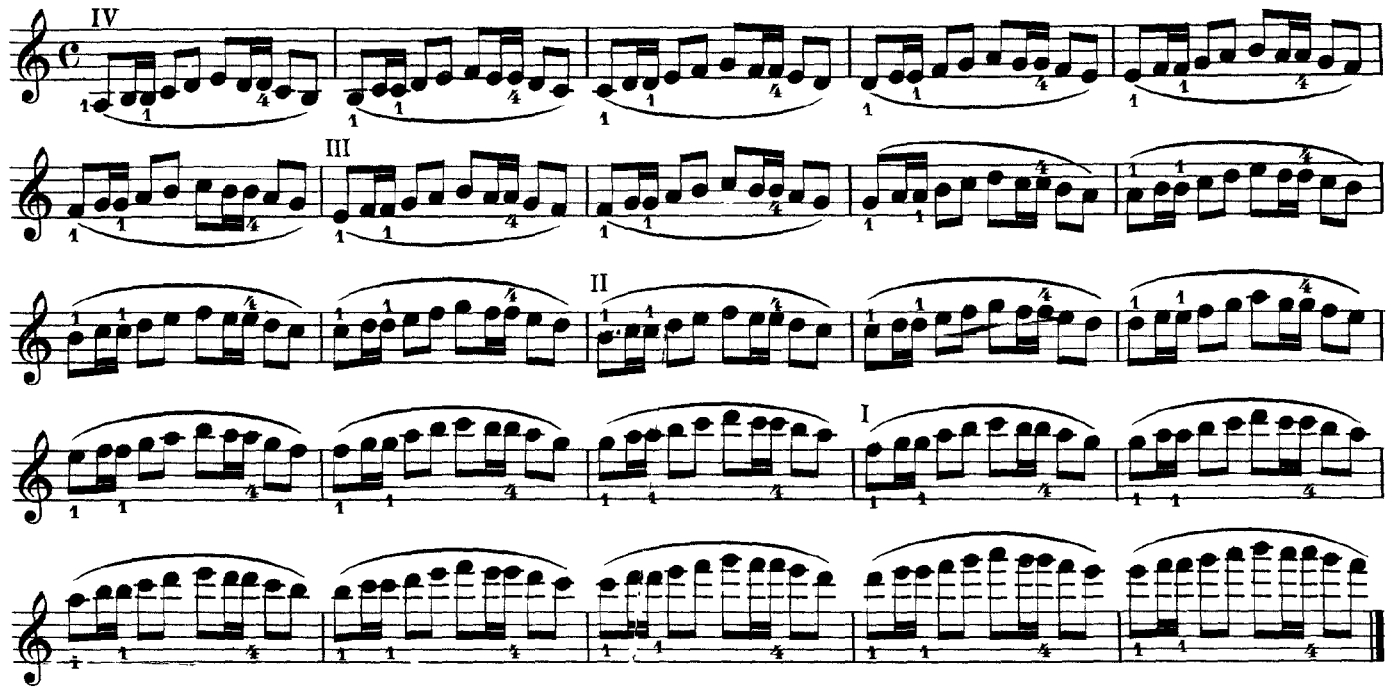
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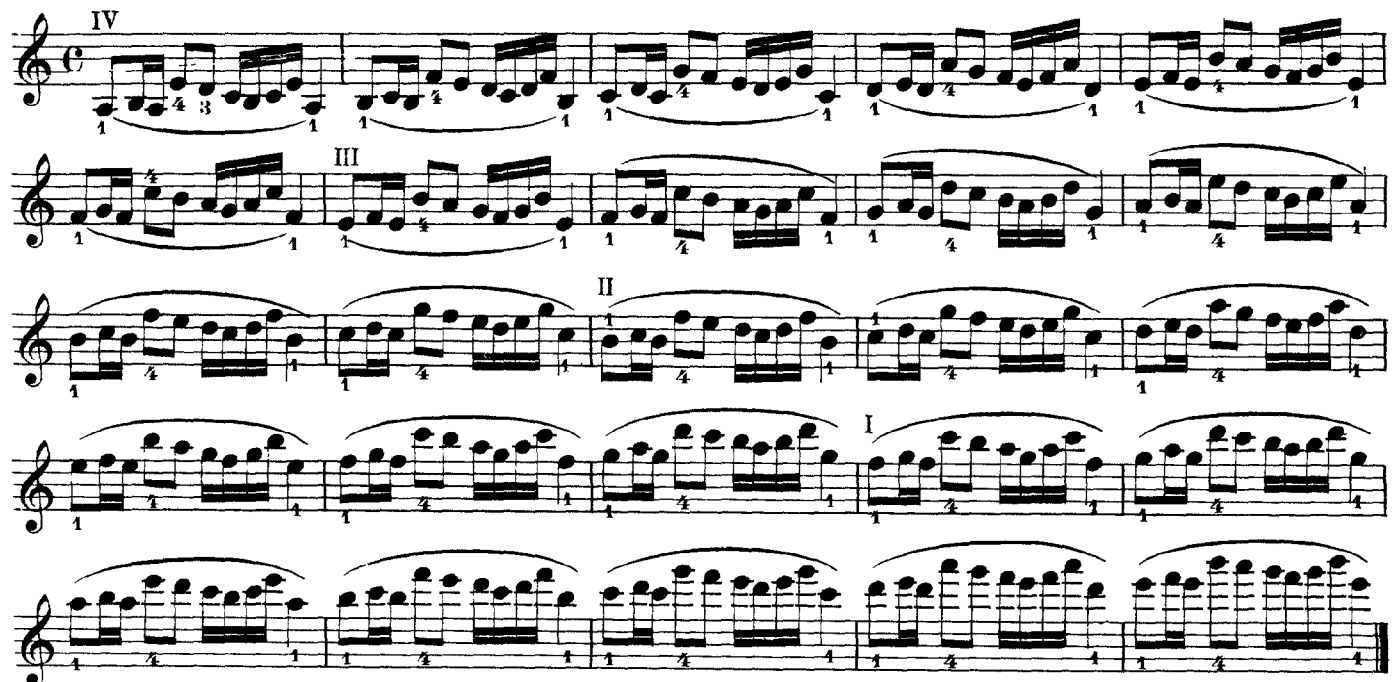
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Exercise 5 consists of five staves of music. The first staff is marked with a 'c' time signature and a 'IV' position indicator. It contains four measures of eighth-note patterns with fingering numbers 1, 3, 3, 1, 3, 3, 1, 3, 3, 1. The second staff is marked with a 'III' position indicator and contains four measures of eighth-note patterns with fingering numbers 1, 3, 3, 1, 3, 3, 1, 3, 3, 1. The third staff is marked with a 'II' position indicator and contains four measures of eighth-note patterns with fingering numbers 1, 3, 3, 1, 3, 3, 1, 3, 3, 1. The fourth staff is marked with a 'I' position indicator and contains four measures of eighth-note patterns with fingering numbers 1, 3, 3, 1, 3, 3, 1, 3, 3, 1. The fifth staff contains four measures of eighth-note patterns with fingering numbers 1, 3, 3, 1, 3, 3, 1, 3, 3, 1.

6.

Exercise 6 consists of five staves of music. The first staff is marked with a 'c' time signature and a 'IV' position indicator. It contains four measures of eighth-note patterns with fingering numbers 1, 2, 4, 1, 2, 4, 1, 2, 4, 1. The second staff is marked with a 'III' position indicator and contains four measures of eighth-note patterns with fingering numbers 1, 2, 4, 1, 2, 4, 1, 2, 4, 1. The third staff is marked with a 'II' position indicator and contains four measures of eighth-note patterns with fingering numbers 1, 2, 4, 1, 2, 4, 1, 2, 4, 1. The fourth staff is marked with a 'I' position indicator and contains four measures of eighth-note patterns with fingering numbers 1, 2, 4, 1, 2, 4, 1, 2, 4, 1. The fifth staff contains four measures of eighth-note patterns with fingering numbers 1, 2, 4, 1, 2, 4, 1, 2, 4, 1.

7.

Exercise 7 consists of two staves of music. The first staff is marked with a 'c' time signature and a 'IV' position indicator. It contains four measures of eighth-note patterns with fingering numbers 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2. The second staff is marked with a 'III' position indicator and contains four measures of eighth-note patterns with fingering numbers 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2.

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Exercise 8 consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. It contains a series of eighth-note patterns with fingerings 1-3, 2-4, and 3-5. The second staff is marked with a Roman numeral 'II' at the beginning. The third staff is marked with a Roman numeral 'I' at the beginning. The fourth staff continues the pattern. The exercise is numbered '8.' at the end of the first staff.

Wechsel der Lagen: 1-3, 2-4, 3-5 u.s.w.

Changes of position: From 1st to 3d,
2d to 4th, 3d to 5th, etc.

Exercise 9 consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. It contains a series of eighth-note patterns with fingerings 1-4, 2-5, and 3-6. The second staff is marked with a Roman numeral 'III' at the beginning. The third staff is marked with a Roman numeral 'II' at the beginning. The fourth staff is marked with a Roman numeral 'I' at the beginning. The exercise is numbered '9.' at the end of the first staff.

Exercise 10 consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. It contains a series of eighth-note patterns with fingerings 2-3, 3-4, and 4-5. The second staff is marked with a Roman numeral 'III' at the beginning. The third staff is marked with a Roman numeral 'II' at the beginning. The fourth staff is marked with a Roman numeral 'I' at the beginning. The exercise is numbered '10.' at the end of the first staff.

10.

Exercise 10 consists of four staves, labeled IV, III, II, and I from top to bottom. Each staff contains a sequence of eighth-note patterns. The patterns are grouped by slurs and include fingerings (1, 3) and slurs. The exercise is in C major and 4/4 time.

11.

Exercise 11 consists of four staves, labeled IV, III, II, and I from top to bottom. Each staff contains a sequence of eighth-note patterns. The patterns are grouped by slurs and include fingerings (1, 2, 4) and slurs. The exercise is in C major and 4/4 time.

12.

Exercise 12 consists of five staves, labeled IV, III, II, I, and an unlabeled staff from top to bottom. Each staff contains a sequence of eighth-note patterns. The patterns are grouped by slurs and include fingerings (1, 2, 3, 4) and slurs. The exercise is in C major and 4/4 time.

13.

Exercise 13 consists of five staves of music in C major. Each staff represents a different fingering pattern (I, II, III, IV) and a specific bowing or articulation pattern. The patterns are as follows:

- Staff I:** 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2
- Staff II:** 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2
- Staff III:** 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2
- Staff IV:** 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2
- Staff V:** 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2

14.

Exercise 14 consists of five staves of music in C major. Each staff represents a different fingering pattern (I, II, III, IV) and a specific bowing or articulation pattern. The patterns are as follows:

- Staff I:** 1 3 2 4 3 2 1 3 2 4 3 2 1 3 2 4 3 2
- Staff II:** 1 3 2 4 3 2 1 3 2 4 3 2 1 3 2 4 3 2
- Staff III:** 1 3 2 4 3 2 1 3 2 4 3 2 1 3 2 4 3 2
- Staff IV:** 1 3 2 4 3 2 1 3 2 4 3 2 1 3 2 4 3 2
- Staff V:** 1 3 2 4 3 2 1 3 2 4 3 2 1 3 2 4 3 2

15.

Exercise 15 consists of five staves of music in C major. Each staff represents a different fingering pattern (I, II, III, IV) and a specific bowing or articulation pattern. The patterns are as follows:

- Staff I:** 1 3 2 2 2 2 1 3 2 2 2 2 1 3 2 2 2 2
- Staff II:** 1 3 2 2 2 2 1 3 2 2 2 2 1 3 2 2 2 2
- Staff III:** 1 3 2 2 2 2 1 3 2 2 2 2 1 3 2 2 2 2
- Staff IV:** 1 3 2 2 2 2 1 3 2 2 2 2 1 3 2 2 2 2
- Staff V:** 1 3 2 2 2 2 1 3 2 2 2 2 1 3 2 2 2 2

Wechsel der Lagen: 1-4, 2-5, 3-6 u.s.w.

16.

Changes of position: From 1st to 4th,
2d to 5th, 3d to 6th, etc.

17.

18.

19.

Exercise 19 consists of four staves of music, labeled IV, III, II, and I from top to bottom. Each staff contains four measures of music. The music is written in C major and consists of eighth-note patterns. The fingerings are indicated by numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4. The patterns are as follows:

- Staff IV: 1 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4
- Staff III: 1 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4
- Staff II: 1 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4
- Staff I: 1 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4

20.

Exercise 20 consists of five staves of music, labeled IV, III, II, and I from top to bottom. Each staff contains four measures of music. The music is written in C major and consists of eighth-note patterns. The fingerings are indicated by numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4. The patterns are as follows:

- Staff IV: 1 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4
- Staff III: 1 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4
- Staff II: 1 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4
- Staff I: 1 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4

21.

Exercise 21 consists of four staves of music, labeled IV, III, II, and I from top to bottom. Each staff contains four measures of music. The music is written in C major and consists of eighth-note patterns. The fingerings are indicated by numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4. The patterns are as follows:

- Staff IV: 2 4 3 2 1 4 3 2 1 4 3 2 1 4 3 2
- Staff III: 2 4 3 2 1 4 3 2 1 4 3 2 1 4 3 2
- Staff II: 2 4 3 2 1 4 3 2 1 4 3 2 1 4 3 2
- Staff I: 2 4 3 2 1 4 3 2 1 4 3 2 1 4 3 2

22.

Exercise 22 consists of four staves, labeled I, II, III, and IV. Each staff contains a sequence of eighth-note patterns. The patterns are designed for shifting positions across the strings, with fingerings (1, 2, 3, 4) and slurs indicating the sequence of notes and shifts.

Wechsel der Lagen: 1-5, 2-6, 3-7 u.s.w.

23.

Changes of position: From 1st to 5th,
2d to 6th, 3d to 7th, etc.

Exercise 23 consists of four staves, labeled I, II, III, and IV. Each staff contains a sequence of eighth-note patterns. The patterns are designed for shifting positions across the strings, with fingerings (1, 2, 3, 4) and slurs indicating the sequence of notes and shifts.

24.

Exercise 24 consists of four staves, labeled I, II, III, and IV. Each staff contains a sequence of eighth-note patterns. The patterns are designed for shifting positions across the strings, with fingerings (1, 2, 3, 4) and slurs indicating the sequence of notes and shifts.

25.

Exercise 25 consists of four staves, labeled I, II, III, and IV. Each staff contains a series of ascending and descending scale passages. The music is written in treble clef with a common time signature (C). Triplet markings (3) are used throughout the piece. The key signature has one flat (B-flat).

26.

Exercise 26 consists of four staves, labeled I, II, III, and IV. Each staff contains a series of ascending and descending scale passages. The music is written in treble clef with a common time signature (C). Fingering numbers (1, 2, 3) are indicated throughout the piece. The key signature has one flat (B-flat).

27.

Exercise 27 consists of four staves, labeled I, II, III, and IV. Each staff contains a series of ascending and descending scale passages. The music is written in treble clef with a common time signature (C). The key signature has one flat (B-flat).

28.

IV

III

II

I

29.

IV

III

II

I

30.

IV

III

II

I

31.

Exercise 31 consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a common time signature. The staves are labeled I, II, III, and IV. Each staff contains a sequence of eighth-note patterns with fingerings (1-4) and slurs. The patterns are designed for shifting positions across the strings.

Wechsel der Lagen: 1-6, 2-7, 3-8 u.s.w.

32.

Changes of position: From 1st to 6th, 2d to 7th, 3d to 8th, etc.

Exercise 32 consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a common time signature. The staves are labeled I, II, III, and IV. Each staff contains a sequence of eighth-note patterns with fingerings (1-4) and slurs. The patterns are designed for shifting positions across the strings.

33.

Exercise 33 consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a common time signature. The staves are labeled I, II, III, and IV. Each staff contains a sequence of eighth-note patterns with fingerings (1-3) and slurs. The patterns are designed for shifting positions across the strings.

34.

Exercise 34 consists of four staves, each representing a different position (IV, III, II, I). The music is written in treble clef with a common time signature (C). Each staff contains a sequence of eighth-note patterns, primarily using the 2nd and 4th fingers, with slurs indicating phrasing. The patterns are repeated across the staves, with some variations in the lower positions (II and I).

35.

Exercise 35 consists of four staves, each representing a different position (IV, III, II, I). The music is written in treble clef with a common time signature (C). Each staff contains a sequence of eighth-note patterns, primarily using the 1st, 3rd, and 4th fingers, with slurs indicating phrasing. The patterns are repeated across the staves, with some variations in the lower positions (II and I).

36.

Exercise 36 consists of four staves, each representing a different position (IV, III, II, I). The music is written in treble clef with a common time signature (C). Each staff contains a sequence of eighth-note patterns, primarily using the 1st, 3rd, and 4th fingers, with slurs indicating phrasing. The patterns are repeated across the staves, with some variations in the lower positions (II and I).

37.

Exercise 37 consists of four staves, labeled I, II, III, and IV. Each staff contains two measures of music, each measure being a half-note scale. The first measure is ascending and the second is descending. The scales are written in treble clef with a common time signature. Fingering numbers (1, 2, 4) are indicated below the notes. The patterns are repeated across the four staves, with the IV staff being the highest and I the lowest.

38.

Wechsel der Lagen: 1-7, 2-8, 3-9 u.s.w.

Changes of position: From 1st to 7th,
2d to 8th, 3d to 9th, etc.

Exercise 38 consists of four staves, labeled I, II, III, and IV. Each staff contains two measures of music, each measure being a half-note scale. The first measure is ascending and the second is descending. The scales are written in treble clef with a common time signature. Fingering numbers (1, 2, 3) are indicated below the notes. The patterns are repeated across the four staves, with the IV staff being the highest and I the lowest.

39.

Exercise 39 consists of four staves, labeled I, II, III, and IV. Each staff contains two measures of music, each measure being a half-note scale. The first measure is ascending and the second is descending. The scales are written in treble clef with a common time signature. Fingering numbers (1, 2) are indicated below the notes. The patterns are repeated across the four staves, with the IV staff being the highest and I the lowest.

40.

Exercise 40 consists of three staves of music in C major. The first staff is marked with a Roman numeral IV and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The second staff is marked with a Roman numeral III and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The third staff is marked with a Roman numeral II and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The fourth staff is marked with a Roman numeral I and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The exercise concludes with a double bar line.

41.

Exercise 41 consists of three staves of music in C major. The first staff is marked with a Roman numeral IV and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The second staff is marked with a Roman numeral III and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The third staff is marked with a Roman numeral II and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The fourth staff is marked with a Roman numeral I and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The exercise concludes with a double bar line.

42.

Exercise 42 consists of three staves of music in C major. The first staff is marked with a Roman numeral IV and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The second staff is marked with a Roman numeral III and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The third staff is marked with a Roman numeral II and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The fourth staff is marked with a Roman numeral I and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The exercise concludes with a double bar line.

43.

Exercise 43 consists of two staves of music in 3/4 time. The first staff is marked with a Roman numeral IV and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The second staff is marked with a Roman numeral III and contains four measures of eighth-note triplets. The exercise concludes with a double bar line.

Exercise 44 consists of two staves of music. The top staff is marked with a Roman numeral 'II' and the bottom staff with a Roman numeral 'I'. Both staves contain a series of eighth-note patterns with fingerings (1, 2, 3) and slurs, indicating a scale-like exercise.

44.

Exercise 45 consists of four staves of music. The staves are marked with Roman numerals IV, III, II, and I from top to bottom. Each staff contains a series of eighth-note patterns with fingerings (1, 2, 3, 4) and slurs, indicating a scale-like exercise.

45.

Exercise 46 consists of four staves of music. The staves are marked with Roman numerals IV, III, II, and I from top to bottom. Each staff contains a series of eighth-note patterns with fingerings (1, 2, 3, 4) and slurs, indicating a scale-like exercise.

46.

Wechsel der Lagen: 1-8, 2-9, 3-10 u.s.w.

47.

Changes of position: From 1st to 8th,
2d to 9th, 3d to 10th, etc.

48.

49.

IV

III

II

I

50.

IV

III

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51.

IV

III

II

I

53.

54.



II

58.

Exercise 58 consists of seven staves of music. The first staff begins with a common time signature and a key signature of one flat. The music features a series of ascending and descending scale patterns with various fingerings (1, 2, 3) and shifts. The subsequent staves continue these patterns, often with more complex rhythmic values and dynamic markings like accents and slurs. The exercise concludes with a final descending scale pattern.

59.

Exercise 59 consists of seven staves of music. The first staff begins with a 3/4 time signature and a key signature of one flat. The music features a series of ascending and descending scale patterns with various fingerings (1, 2, 3) and shifts. The subsequent staves continue these patterns, often with more complex rhythmic values and dynamic markings like accents and slurs. The exercise concludes with a final descending scale pattern.